

ASSOCIATION OF GREATER MANCHESTER AUTHORITIES

DECISIONS MADE BY THE AGMA AGM AND EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS MEETING ON 25 JUNE 2010 AT TOWN HALL, SWINTON

**Decisions published on 29 June 2010 and will come into force from 7 July 2010
subject to Call-in, except for any urgent decisions.**

The process for call in of decisions is set out as an Appendix to this note, extracted from AGMA's constitution. The address for the purposes of the schedule is that of the AGMA Secretary, c/o Wigan Investment Centre, Waterside Drive, Wigan, WN3 5BA; or by contacting: j.gaskell@agma.gov.uk

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http://www.agma.gov.uk/executive_board/executive_board_meeting_papers/index.html

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF EXECUTIVE BOARD 2010/11**

The Board agreed to appoint Cllr Peter Smith (Wigan).

2. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR(S) 2010/11**

The Board agreed to appoint Cllrs Bob Bibby, Richard Leese and Howard Sykes.

3. **MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND AGMA COMMITTEES**

The Board agreed a list of nominations attached as Annex 1 to this note.

4. **SECRETARY OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The Board agreed to appoint Joyce Redfearn, Chief Executive of Wigan MBC.

5. **TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The Executive Board agreed to appoint Paul McKevitt, Director, Corporate Services, Wigan MBC

6. **REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

The Executive Board agreed the nominations attached as Annex 2 to this note.

7. **MEMBERSHIP OF COMMISSIONS FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

The Executive Board agreed

1. a number of nominations as set out in Annex 3 to this note and
2. to request from the Deputy Secretary a proposed mechanism for dealing with future Commission vacancies and refreshing Commission membership.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY; PROPOSED AGMA REPOSE TO FORMAL CONSULTATION

The Executive Board agreed a proposed response to the Government's consultation on the proposals to establish a Combined Authority for Greater Manchester; which endorsed the proposals set out in the consultation paper. In particular the Executive Board agreed that the issue of scrutiny should be raised with officials, given the request by AGMA's scrutiny pool that the requirement for scrutiny should be mandatory in any finally agreed arrangements.

2. AGMA POSITIONING STATEMENT

The Executive Board agreed a paper which set out a narrative describing the AGMA reforms and Combined Authority proposals; by setting them within the context of the new Coalition Government's programme. This will be used as a basis for communication with Government and other stakeholders.

3. FUTURE OF RDAs

The Executive Board considered a report on the future of RDAs; but which had been circulated before the announcement in the budget that RDAs would be abolished through a Public Bodies Bill. In view of the changing circumstances the Executive Board agreed the principle of:-

- 1) the need for a regional investment body for the North West; but that this should be owned and accountable to the 5 sub regions within the North West; and
- 2) that delivery of business support services should be at sub regional level.

The Executive Board agreed to refer other issues raised in the paper for the consideration of the Chair and 3 Vice Chairs of the Executive Board.

4. TRANSFER OF LSC STAFF – FINANCIAL ISSUES

The Executive Board heard that the transfer of LSC staff to the Districts from April 2010 was to have been accompanied by a Special transitional Grant, but that this had been cut by 24%. It was agreed that these cuts should be shared across the 10 authorities and also the central team which had been established.

The Board also agreed that the current situation was also an opportunity to review the previously agreed arrangements for commissioning 16-19 education; and that this should be the subject of a further report for the Board.

5. GREATER MANCHESTER – DELIVERING A LOW CARBON ECONOMY

The Executive Board agreed to endorse the Low Carbon Economy Delivery Plan and to the accompanying Work Programme. In particular the Board agreed to:-

1. establish a Low Carbon Centre of Excellence as the delivery arm of the programme and to support in principle funding of £2.25m; and to

2. receive a further report identifying how the resources required would be identified from existing AGMA expenditure and the release of embedded capacity from AGMA partners.

6. **GREATER MANCHESTER SPATIAL FRAMEWORK: PROGRESS REPORT**

The Executive Board agreed an amended timetable for producing the Spatial Framework in view of new proposals on regional strategies from the new Government. There was also a need to take into account work commissioned jointly with the Business Leadership Council on demand side issues in relation to town centres and employment land. Topic papers would now be available for the Executive Board's next meeting; with the full draft framework to be considered at the Board meeting at the end of October.

7. **AGMA PROCUREMENT HUB**

The Executive Board agreed that the Chair of the Improvement and Efficiency Commission, Bernard Priest should be invited to attend the next meeting for detailed discussion on the Efficiency work carried out at an AGMA level. There needed to be an identification of targets and savings to be made, and Chief Executives within individual authorities made accountable for delivering on these.

8. **GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT FUND UPDATE**

The Executive Board noted a report on progress on schemes within the package. No action was necessary at this time but it was agreed that it might be necessary to return to this issue after the Comprehensive Spending Review in autumn 2010.

9. **REVIEW OF AGMA SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS**

The Executive Board agreed outline proposals for widening the Scrutiny Pool's functions to include greater scrutiny of Commission work programmes, linking AGMA scrutiny with local scrutiny arrangements and widening its remit to cover transport under the new Combined Authority arrangements. The report will now be referred to the Scrutiny Pool and individual districts for further action.

10. **PROPOSED ROLE OF SCRUTINY POOL IN 2011/12 BUDGET PROCESS**

The Board agreed a timetable for the Scrutiny Pool's consideration of AGMA Unit budget proposals for 2011/2 and also that the Pool should carry out pre-scrutiny of GMITA budget plans for 2011/12.

11. **AGMA UNITS PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2009/10**

The Executive Board agreed to receive a final statement for 2009/10 at its next meeting, together with detailed explanation of the overspend on the Transportation Unit budget.

APPOINTMENTS TO EXECUTIVE BOARD & AGMA COMMITTEES

ANNEX 1

	EXECUTIVE	SCRUTINY POOL	JOINT WASTE PLANNING COMMITTEE	JOINT MINERALS PLANNING COMMITTEE	STATUTORY FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE	G.M. HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
BOLTON	Cliff Morris (L) Subs - Ebrahim Adia & Linda Thomas	Anthony Connell (L) Roger Hayes (LD) Christine Wild (C)	Ismail Ibrahim (L) Sub; Nicholas Peel (L)	Ismail Ibrahim (L) Sub; Nicholas Peel (L)	Linda Thomas (L) Sub- Cliff Morris	Andrew Morgan (C) Sub- David Greenhalgh
BURY	Bob Bibby (C) Subs- Yvonne Creswell, Jack Walton	Sam Hurst (C) Ann Audin (L) Tim Pickstone (LD)	Dorothy Gunther (C) Sub-Iain Gartside	Wilf Davison (LD) Sub- Dorothy Gunther (C)	Yvonne Creswell (C) Sub- Dorothy Gunther	Bob Caserta (C) Sub- Roy Walker
MANCHESTER	Richard Leese (L) Subs- Jim Battle Sue Murphy	Simon Ashley (LD) Mike Carmody (L) Mary Watson (L)	Nigel Murphy (L) Sub: David Royle	Nigel Murphy (L) Sub: David Royle	Alistair Cox (L) Sub- Mike Amesbury	Sue Cooley (L) Sub- Harry Lyons
OLDHAM	Howard Sykes (LD) Subs_ Jackie Stanton Kay Knox	Dave Hibbert (L) Jim McArdle (LD) Diane Williamson (LD)	John McCann (LD)	John McCann (LD)	Kay Knox (LD) Sub- David Hibbert (L)	Derek Heffernan (LD)
ROCHDALE	Irene Davidson (LD) Subs- Greg Couzens (LD) Ashley Dearnley (C)	Peter Evans (LD) Ann Metcalfe (C) Alan Godson (L)	David Clayton (LD) Sub- Dale Mulgrew (LD)	Doreen Brophy-Lee(LD)	Dale Mulgrew (LD) Sub- Irene Davidson (LD)	Jean Ashworth (LD) Sub- Brenda Kerlake (IND)
SALFORD	John Merry (L) Subs- David Lancaster John Warmisham	Alice Smyth (L) David Lancaster (L) Karen Garrido (C)	Derek Antrobus (L) Sub- Ray Mashiter (L)	Derek Antrobus (L) Sub- Ray Mashiter (L)	David Lancaster (L) Sub- Barry Warner	Joe Kean (L) Sub- Christine Hudson
STOCKPORT	David Goddard (LD) Subs- Sue Derbyshire Martin Candler	Martin Candler (LD) Peter Scott (L) Shan Alexander (LD)	Stuart Bodsworth (LD) Sub- Kevin Hogg (LD)	Kevin Hogg (LD) Sub- Stuart Bodsworth (LD)	John Pantall (LD) Sub- Stuart Bodsworth	June Somekh (LD) Sub- Christine Corris (LD)
TAMESIDE	Kieran Quinn (L) Subs- John Taylor Jim Fitzpatrick	Jack Davis (L) Alan Whitehead (L) Eileen Shorrock (L)	Peter Robinson (L) Sub- Andrew Doubleday (L)	Peter Robinson (L)	John Sullivan (L)	Brenda Warrington (L) Sub- Eileen Shorrock (L)
TRAFFORD	Matthew Colledge (C) Subs- Alex Williams Michael Young	Pamela Dixon (C) Brian Shaw (C) Barry Brotherton (L)	Michael Young (C) Sub- John Reilly (C)	Michael Young (C) Sub- John Reilly (C)	Michael Young (C) Sub- Bernard Sharp	Patricia Young (C) Sub- Dr Karen Barclay (C)
WIGAN	Peter Smith (L) Subs- David Molyneux Chris Ready	Joan Hurst (L) John O'Brien (L) James Grundy (C)	David Molyneux (L)	David Molyneux (L)	Brian Baldwin (L) Sub- Nigel Ash (L)	John O'Brien (L)

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

ANNEX 2

Outside Body for which nominations were sought for 2010/11	Tenure (years)	No. of Reps	Nominations agreed
4 NW Regional Leaders Forum	1	3	Peter Smith (Wigan) Richard Leese (Manchester) Matt Colledge (Trafford)
N West Regional European Partnership	1	1	John Warmisham (Salford)
European Social Fund N West Regional Committee	1	1	Keith Whitmore (Manchester)
Halle Board	1	2	John Merry (Salford) Joyce Redfearn (Wigan)
North West Cultural Consortium	1	3	Mike Amesbury (Manchester) Michael Whetton (Trafford) Stephen Coen (Salford)
Asylum Seekers Executive Board	1	6	Noel Spencer (Bolton) Mohammad Sharif (Rochdale) Michael Hankey (Bury) Basil Curley (Manchester) Paula Boshell (Salford) Margaret Sidebottom (Tameside)
Greater Manchester Pension Fund	1	6	Brian Baldwin (Wigan) Frank White (Bolton) Jeff Smith (Manchester) Alan Mitchell (Trafford) William Pennington (Salford) John Pantall (Stockport)
14-19 Sub Group (reporting direct to Executive Board)	1	6	Ebrahim Adia (Bolton) Bob Bibby (Bury) Con Keegan (Manchester) John Merry (Salford) Susan Loudon (Wigan) Theresa Fitzsimons (Rochdale)
MIDAS	1	5	Guy Harkin (Bolton) Sue Murphy (Manchester) Michael Cornes (Trafford) David Sweeton (Tameside) Dave Goddard (Stockport)
Marketing Manchester Board	1	1	Cliff Morris (Bolton)
2007-13 Programme Monitoring Committee	1	1 & Sub	Sue Murphy (Manchester) Substitute - Keith Whitmore (Manchester)
Christie Hospital NHS Foundation Trust - Council Of Governors	3	1	Eileen Hulme (Oldham)
Peoples History Museum	1	1	Derek Antrobus (Salford)

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS

ANNEX 3

COMMISSION FOR THE NEW ECONOMY

Cllr Bob Bibby – Bury
Cllr Howard Sykes – Oldham
Cllr John Merry – Salford
Cllr Kieran Quinn – Tameside
Cllr Matthew Colledge – Trafford
Cllr Peter Smith – Wigan

PLANNING AND HOUSING COMMISSION

Cllr Nicholas Peel – Bolton
Cllr Paul Andrews – Manchester
Cllr Dale Mulgrew – Rochdale
Cllr Derek Antrobus – Salford (Chair)
Cllr Lenny Grice – Stockport
Cllr Michael Cornes – Trafford

ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION

Cllr Dave Goddard – Stockport (Chair)
Cllr Nigel Murphy – Manchester
Cllr Mark Alcock – Oldham
Cllr Barrie Holland – Tameside
Cllr Linda Blackburn – Trafford
Cllr David Molyneux – Wigan

HEALTH COMMISSION

Cllr Cliff Morris – Bolton (Chair)
Cllr Bob Caserta – Bury
Cllr Glynn Evans - Manchester
Cllr Jean Ashworth - Rochdale
Cllr John Pantall – Stockport
Cllr Keith Cunliffe - Wigan

PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMISSION

Cllr Linda Thomas – Bolton
Cllr Yvonne Cresswell – Bury
Cllr Jim Battle – Manchester
Cllr Rod Blyth – Oldham
Cllr David Lancaster - Salford
Cllr Stuart Bodsworth – Stockport

IMPROVEMENT & EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

Cllr Linda Thomas – Bolton
Cllr Jack Walton – Bury
Cllr Bernard Priest – Manchester (Chair)
Cllr Lynn Thompson – Oldham
Cllr Gregory Couzens – Rochdale
Cllr David Lancaster – Salford
Cllr Sue Derbyshire – Stockport
Cllr Jim Fitzpatriick – Tameside
Cllr Alex Williams – Trafford
Cllr Fred Walker – Wigan

Appendix

EXTRACT FROM SCHEDULE 4 OF NEW AGMA CONSTITUTION

- 5.1 Members of the scrutiny pool appointed under these arrangements will have the power to call in any decision of the Board.
- 5.2 When a decision is made by the Board the decision shall be published, including where possible by electronic means, and shall be available from the address specified in Paragraph 24.1 of this operating agreement normally within 2 days of being made. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary to send electronic copies of the records of all such decisions to all members of the pool within the same timescale.
- 5.3 That notice will bear the date on which it is published and will specify that the decision will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days after the publication of the decision, unless 5 members the scrutiny pool object to it and call it in.
- 5.4 During that period, the Secretary shall call-in a decision for scrutiny by a joint meeting of pool members if so requested by any five members from the pool, and shall then notify members of the Board of the call-in. The Secretary shall call a joint meeting of pool members on such date as he/she may determine, where possible after consultation with the Chair of the pool, and in any case within 15 working days of the decision to call-in.
- 5.5 If, having considered the decision, the joint meeting of pool members is still concerned about it, then it may refer it back to the Board for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of its concerns. If referred to the Board they shall then reconsider within a further 15 working days, amending the decision or not, before adopting a final decision.
- 5.6 The call-in procedure set out above shall not apply where the decision being taken by the Board is urgent. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call in process would seriously prejudice the Board's or the public's or an individual's interests. The record of the decision, and notice by which it is made public shall state whether in the opinion of the decision making person or body, the decision is an urgent one, and therefore not subject to call-in. The Board must agree both that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.